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For: SERINE PROTEINASE INHIBITORS

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The instant paper responds to the Office action mailed December 7, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 21-40 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Add the following claims.

- 41. A serine protease inhibitor, characterized by having a domain with four cysteines, and a sequence of 13 amino acids is present between the first and second cysteines, a sequence of 18 amino acids is present between the second and third cysteines, and a sequence of 2 amino acids is present between the third and fourth cysteines.
- 42. The serine protease inhibitor according to claim 41, characterized in that the sequence of the domain between the first and second cysteines is selected from HEFQAFMKNGKLF (SEQ ID NO: 7), SEYRKSRKNGRLF (SEQ ID NO: 8), DDFKKGERDGDFI (SEQ ID NO: 9), SEFRDQVRNGTLI (SEQ ID NO: 10), SAFRPFVRNGRLG (SEQ ID NO: 11), SEYRHYVRNGRLP (SEQ ID NO: 12),